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CAPE GIRARDEAU has had a big time this week. The president, a big show and the bankers.

"The judges of the Circuit court recommend that the state employ a representative to examine into the merits of all divorce cases before they are tried and wherever possible, to act as peacemaker. In 1908 there were 1,300 divorce suits filed in Jackson county, making an average of four a day to be investigated and 'peacemakers.' Does anybody want the job?"—Kansas City Post.

QUESTION FOR POLITICIANS

Concordia, Ky., August 21.—To the Editor of the Courier-Journal: We recently shipped some beef hides to market. When we got returns, the hide dealer said on account of the recent tariff, hides have declined.

Next day we received from our shoe man notice that on account of the recent tariff shoes had advanced.

The next day a shoe drummer came along. I asked him how it is that the recent tariff has lowered the price of hides and advanced the price of shoes. He says that's a question for the politicians to answer. COUNTRY MERCHANT.

WONDERFUL!

Last Monday's Globe Democrat says your Uncle Joe Cannon, talking to a crowd of admirers in St. Louis, made the following big break:

"This will be my first trip on the Mississippi river to New Orleans since I was a boy of 13. I was then living in Parke county, Ind., and made the journey on a flatboat. In those days the river was the only way we could reach the markets with our produce. The flatboat carried a load of pork, which I was to sell for a neighbor of ours. We drifted down the river to New Orleans, and sold the pork, and the boat, too, there. I returned with a load of coffee, tea, sugar and other necessities on one of the old little stern-wheel steamers. I have since made a couple of short trips, one to Memphis, which was the farthest south I have been on the river since my boyhood voyage."

But wasn't he the precocious kid, though? No wonder the g. o. p. swears by him. Now, will any sane reader believe, for a moment, that a 13-year-old boy was entrusted with a boat load of produce and the purchase, after its sale, of a stock of groceries? We admit that it is rather too great a strain on our system to be swallowed whole.

THE writer has seen a wonderful change, in the way of improvement, in Bollinger county since he came here; but the development will be much more rapid in the next decade than in the present. The people are building better homes for themselves and are taking greater interest in improvement all along the line. Rapid advancement has been made in the common schools and more interest is being manifested in education than ever before. The farmers are raising better stock and housing it in good, comfortable and conveniently arranged barns. Rest assured that with the rapid improvements being made all along industrial and educational lines, the people will not be blind to their interests in the important matter of road improvement; for this will keep up with the development of the country, and it is getting to be pretty well understood that bad roads are very expensive. In the face of these facts it is perfectly natural that the price of real estate should be going up, and the man who has not secured a home of his own is letting a golden opportunity go by. Land is cheaper right here in Bollinger county, quality considered, than any place we know of, but don't be deceived

with the idea that it will remain that way, and now is the time for those who have not acquired homes of their own, to do so. Postpone it and the chances are you will "back about" from place to place, and make little or much, you will, in all probability, spend it, and in a few years become discouraged and make up your mind that you are never to possess a home. It's in your reach now and now is the time to act. Buy and own your home, and if you cannot own a large body, of the best quality of land, take a small tract and make a home of it.

Southeast News.

Fredericktown Democrat-News.

The North American made a shipment recently of a car of copper to Montreal, Canada. This is the first car of copper shipped from the plant to a foreign point. This is but the beginning.

Fredericktown Democrat-News.

In response to a sample shipment of nickel to St. Petersburg, Russia, the North American has received an order for 20 tons of nickel to go to the party ordering the sample. This indicates that the quality of the nickel is the equal of that made in any foreign market.

St. Joseph Observer.

Down at Charleston, during the present term of the Mississippi county Circuit court, Joe Folk was ordered arrested for violating the local option law, while Robert E. Lee is defendant in a divorce suit. Andrew Jackson is charged with petit larceny, and John Quincy Adams reports for parole.

St. Joseph Observer.

Twenty dollars for a gallon of Elberta peaches is the price received by J. M. Huff of Koshkong, driven in the big peach growing district of the Ozarks. The peaches were picked from the orchard of C. E. Brooks near that place, and chemically preserved in a glass jar. The purchaser has arranged to take them with an exhibit of other fruit to California. Jackson Herald.

Last evening shortly before 7:00 o'clock Elbert Jenkins shot himself in the mouth with a .32 calibre revolver. He had been drinking and was trying to sober up. He was in his father's saloon, and told his father that he must have one more drink. His father refused it. Then Elbert took a whiff from Robert Moore's pipe and said that helped some, but still insisted that he must have the whiskey. His father urged him to go home with him, but he declared he could not sober up, and that he was going to kill himself. At this he jerked out his gun. His father tried to prevent the awful deed, but the fatal shot was fired and the boy lay dead. He was about thirty years old.

Used Dynamite

Paragould Soliphone: Bud Fletcher blown into eternity and Bud Smith maimed for life and probably fatally injured was the result of a dynamite explosion in Cache bottom at an early hour last Saturday morning.

The two men were neighbors and resided near Finch. They went to Cache river to kill fish and were standing on the bank of the river with sticks of dynamite in their hands. Fletcher lighted the fuse to his and was in the act of throwing it into the river when Smith asked him to wait a second until he could light his, but the words were hardly out of his mouth before the explosive in Fletcher's hands went off. Fletcher was almost rent in twain, his clothing was torn from his body, his limbs were dismembered and a great hole was torn in his side. Parts of his flesh and his clothing were thrown into the trees and his mutilated body was blown behind a log. Smith's right arm was blown off, the side of his face burned and lacerated, his right eye badly injured and he received other slight injuries. Smith ran nearly two miles after the explosion to get to a house and give the alarm; but he fainted and fell several times as he ran.

Selection and Care of Seed Corn

There is no more important factor concerned in the production of large yields of corn than the proper selection and care of the seed. The matter of selecting seed ears of desirable quality is just as important to the farmer who is growing his own seed as is the selection of animals for breeding purposes. The varieties of corn which we now have, have been developed by careful selection; but too often there is little or no attention given to this matter by our farmers.

If a man can spare the time, the best method of selecting seed corn is to allow it to become thoroughly ripened on the stalk and then select it from the field before the corn is picked. There is considerable advantage to be gained in being able to examine the stalk from which an ear of corn comes. In this way a man can select ears only from those stalks which have the normal amount of rosin and which have the ears at the proper height. Frequently good ears as we pick them from the crib are simply due to the fact that the stalk on which they grew was the only one in the hill and therefore had a much better chance than the average. What we want is a good ear produced on stalks which have only an average chance and which are good because of some hereditary cause. Such ears will be more productive than those selected from isolated stalks.

The next best way to select seed corn is to select the good ears as the corn is being picked and throw these in a box on the wagon separate from the main load. This is the common method of those who give reasonable care in seed corn selection. But in whatever way these selections are made, a considerably larger amount of corn should be thus selected than is necessary for seed, so it will then be possible to reselect before storing them for the winter.

This selected corn should be spread in a thin layer on some convenient floor space and allowed to dry out quickly. Some men provide rough racks in which to store this corn to favor its rapid drying. Good weather has little effect on dry corn. If the corn is not thoroughly dry when heavy freezing comes, it is almost invariably injured in germination and the strength of germination of corn has great deal more to do with the yield than is commonly supposed.

There are a number of ways in which corn can be stored so as to keep it dry and of strong germination during the winter, such as hanging up by the husks or on wires or storing in racks as has been mentioned. Where a man has an attic or vacant room in the house, it is frequently a good plan to use that for seed corn storage.

The method of artificially drying seed corn is not of much importance in Missouri where the falls are usually long, but if a storage place can be found where the temperature does not run much below freezing, this is desirable. The important point in the whole matter of storage is to get the corn dry quickly and keep it dry. If this is done, the germination is almost sure to be good.

M. F. MILLER, Agricultural College and Experiment Station, Columbia, Mo.

The Missouri College of Agriculture Wins \$500 Silver Cup

In the live stock judging contest held at the American Royal Live Stock show, the live stock judging team from the Missouri Agricultural college made the highest score and in so doing won the beautiful \$500.00 silver Loving Cup offered by the Union Stock Yards company of Kansas City.

Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas Agricultural colleges all had strong teams competing for this much coveted prize, but the Missouri team won by a large margin and will carry home the cup. The highest scoring man in the whole contest was C. M. McWilliams of Knox county, Missouri. The second highest man was John E. Ryland of La Fayette county, Missouri.

The same kind of instruction received by these young men in the Agricultural college will be open to students of the short winter course in agriculture which begins November 1, 1909.

HOW BIG IS MISSOURI?

At a banquet a Missourian was asked to speak of his native state. He said: "If all the wheat raised in Missouri were one grain, the only place to plant it would be in the Grand Canyon of Arizona, the only hole in the earth big enough to con-

tain it. If all the corn raised in Missouri were one ear, the only way to shell it would be by steam stump pullers extracting a grain at a time from the cob. If all the cattle in Missouri were one cow, she could browse the tender herbage of the tropics, whisk inches off the north pole with her tail and supply milk enough to fill a canal reaching from Kansas City to the Gulf of Mexico, to ship the boat loads of her cheese and butter. If all the chickens in Missouri were one rooster, he could straddle the Rocky Mountains like a great Colossus, and crow until he shook the rings off the planet Saturn. If all the hogs raised in Missouri were one hog, he could plant his hind feet in the soil of Cuba, his fore feet on the Isthmus of Panama and with one root of his huge snout dig a sea level canal from ocean to ocean. If all the mules raised in Missouri were one mule, he could plant one fore foot on the soil of Texas, the other amid the forests of Maine and with his hind feet kick the face off of the man in the moon."—Cape News.

The Devil On Market Reports

The editor was busy when he was asked: "How are the markets?" The man was referred to the office devil, who looked wise and said: "Young men, unsteady; girls, lively and in demand; papas, firm, but declining; mamas, unsettled, waiting for higher bids; coffee, considerably mixed; fresh fish, active and slippery; eggs, quiet, but expected to open soon; whiskey, still going down; onions, strong; yeast, rising; breadstuffs, heavy; boots and shoes, those on the market are sold and constantly going up and down; hats and caps, not so high as last year, excepting fulseap, which is stationary; tobacco, very low and showing downward tendency; silver, slow, but not close enough to get hold of."—Ex.

The Prodigal Daughter

Jack Blanton says in Paris Appeal: The reason that parable dealt with a prodigal son instead of a prodigal daughter, Jesus, was probably due to the fact that it would not have been true to life had it been otherwise. No matter how deep in sin the young man goes, no matter how many girls he may debauch, how many hearts he may break, how many gray heads he may bring in sorrow to the grave—an enthusiastic welcome awaits him in his home, in his church and in his community when he comes back. It is not so with the prodigal daughter. She may have gone half a dozen steps into sin—may have been beguiled into the wrong path by some crafty devil who took advantage of her innocence or inexperience, or may have gone astray because there was more of hell than of heaven in her home—but no matter what the circumstances, no matter how quickly repentance may come nor how sincere it may be, there is no bringing forth of rich robes, no slaughter of the fatted calf, no rejoicing or making merry when she comes home. It has ever been thus. It will continue to be so until Christian people emulate the example of the Master who was so courteous and tender with erring women. He reclaimed them every time. His followers drive them deeper into sin or condemn them to lives behind closed curtains by denying them sympathy, society and helping hands. The appalling number of erring women and the demoralization they are working in towns and cities should arouse us to a saner way—the Christ way—of winning them back to the right path.

Coughs of Children

Especially night coughs. Nature needs a little help to quiet the irritation, control the inflammation, check the progress of the disease. Our advice is—give the children Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Ask your doctor if this is his advice also. He knows best. Do as he says.

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SPECIAL TESTIMONIAL.

A LETTER FROM ONE OF OUR CUSTOMERS TO A FRIEND:
Salem, Mo., June 6, 1909.
Mr. T. M. Kames, Yorkville, Tenn.
Dear Sir:—Referring to your favor of the 4th inst., to say the J. R. Black Medicine Co. is thoroughly reliable and responsible, and their Dr. Black's Eye Water, is really a specific for sore eyes of any remedy I ever used. You need not hesitate to recommend it. I had never before used any eye medicine and did not have to resort to a doctor or a refund, do so, and they will protect you. Yours truly, C. C. CANNON DRUG STORE, Pa. Z. B. Cannon.

I REMEMBER

I remember, I remember the house where I was born; the voice of dad that belted forth to rouse me every morn; the picnic that I always had when winter breezes blew, to clear the sidewalks of the snow; the church I had made, I remember, I remember the old-time days in church; the linkings that I always got for breaking some darning rule; the moonlight nights I used to go out in the old boy sleigh, and hug and kiss the pretty girls beneath the robes and hay. I remember, I remember, oh no, I'll not forget; I'll like to wander back again to those old times, you bet!—Los Angeles Express.

The University of Missouri College of Agriculture Wins the Highest Award At the Missouri State Fair

The college of agriculture just back at the Missouri state fair won the best fatstock prize of the entire show. The grand championship prize awarded to the best animal of any age or breed was given to the college of agriculture in "Herbert," the pure bred two-year-old steer fed by the college.

In addition to this grand prize the college won five championship prizes, seven first prizes, two second and two third prizes on fat cattle shows. All of these valuable prize winning animals will be returned to the college and will be used for live stock instruction in the short winter course which begins the first of November.

Probate Court Docket

The following parties are required to appear and make settlement at the regular November term of Probate court here on the dates named below:

Monday, November 8.
R. C. Walker, Henry L. James, J. A. Berry, W. P. McCains, Edward Bowers, guardians.
Tuesday, November 9.
Henry Mansker, W. P. McCains, B. S. Snider, guardians.
Wednesday, November 10.
Lewis Hart, adm'r; Mary Hart, C. E. Presnell, Orlando Morris, Joseph Fish, guardians.
Thursday, November 11.
W. K. Chandler, S. S. Stuckey, C. M. Witter, Henry R. Thiele, guardians.
Friday, November 12.
C. J. Mayfield, Sarah A. Johnson, E. F. Twenter, J. B. Woolpert, guardians; T. B. Drum and Peter M. Slatyer, administrators.
Saturday, November 13.
A. F. Watkins, Anna W. Greer, J. C. Howell, administrators; Eliza D. Hobbs, J. W. Hughes, J. Matt Zimmerman, guardians.

Obituary.

Arch Rhodes, beloved son of Columbus H. and Sarah Rhodes, was born June 17, 1890, and departed this life at the home of his parents October 20, 1909, aged 19 years, 4 months and 3 days.

He professed faith in Christ and joined with the Baptist church at New Salem and was baptized August 25, 1907. He leaves a father, mother, one brother, three sisters and a host of friends to mourn their loss. But their loss is his eternal gain.

Relatives and friends must leave us when the blessed Saviour calls. Let us weep not, but think of meeting our brother in a better land. Angels bore his spirit to that undiscovered country where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary shall find rest. We hope to meet him where the Jasper

sea, when at the pearly gate loved friends watch and wait.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Pinkney Robins, after which the body was laid to rest in the Mount Zion cemetery to await the resurrection day. PINKNEY ROBINS, Shrout, Mo.

AGENTS WANTED—Men or Women in every locality in Missouri, on Salary and Commission who can devote all or part of their time showing the new policy of The Aetna Life Insurance Co. Ahead of any other insurance policy written, rates lower. Use your influence to add to your income. Plain instructions, easy to learn, upon request. Address: J. W. ESTES Mgr., 201 No. Trust Building, St. Louis, Mo.

Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Marble Hill will be held at the banking house in Marble Hill, Bollinger county, Missouri, on Monday, November 22, 1909, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing seven trustees of said bank for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting. C. A. SCHUBB, President. G. B. SAUBER, Cashier.

Notice to Taxpayers

You are hereby notified that the undersigned will meet the taxpayers of Bollinger county at the following times and places for the purpose of assessing and collecting taxes for the year 1909, and all delinquent taxes for previous years: Grunkel Creek Township. Talbert postoffice, Friday, October 29. Bessemer, Saturday " 30. Grunkel Township. Senaps, Wednesday, November 3. Lumbough postoffice, Thursday, Nov. 4. Mayfield postoffice, Friday, November 5. Grunkel Creek Township. Strunk postoffice, Saturday, November 6. 1909. T. B. Smith.

All persons owing local taxes are requested to settle same and receive receipt. W. L. DUNN, Collector.

Whitewater Township. Lixville, Wednesday, Nov. 10. 11-11. Sedgewickville, Friday, Nov. 12-13. Grunkel Creek Township. Lumbough, Monday, Nov. 15. 16. Luffin, Tuesday " 17. Glen Allen, Wednesday, November 17. All persons owing local taxes are requested to settle same and receive receipt. W. L. DUNN, Collector.

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